

## EUPHORBIA DENTATA IN CONNECTICUT

On September 12, 1977, I found a large patch of *Euphorbia dentata* (Michx.) growing along the Amtrak railroad right-of-way in Branford, Connecticut. *Gray's Manual of Botany*, 8th edition, reports the range of this species as "N.Y. to Minn., S.D. and Wyo. s. to Va., La., Tex. and Mex.". According to Joseph Dowhan of the Connecticut State Natural History and Geological Survey, the species has been reported from Connecticut in 1822 and 1884, but no voucher specimens exist. A specimen was collected in New Hampshire in 1866 (Blake *s.n.*), but the species does not seem to have been found again in New England until 1967. Since then, it has been collected, always along railroad tracks, by L. E. Charette and H. E. Ahles in various localities in Vermont, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Specimens of the Connecticut plants have been deposited in the herbaria of Yale University (YU), University of Connecticut (CONN) and the Connecticut Botanical Society (CBS).

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